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Single Window for Solar Projects
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide a single window/nodal agency for all approvals for developing Solar Power Projects, if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether steps are being taken for closer industry-Government cooperation to achieve the targets, if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government proposes to facilitate the grid connectivity and transmission to solar projects being developed and commissioned in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the cost of energy being generated at present from photovoltaic power plants, and also, the Plant Load Factor (PLF) of the grid connected solar PV plants?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): Government of India has no proposal to set up a single window or nodal agency for all approvals across the country for developing solar projects.
(b): Yes, Madam. Government has regular interactions with the industry. Industry associations interact regularly with Government. Various events are organized like RE Invest and follow up meetings of RE-Invest in various states. In all tenders, pre-bid meetings are held to clarify any doubts.
(c): Yes Madam. In order to facilitate integration of large scale renewable generation capacity addition envisaged in 12th plan in various renewable resource rich states viz. Tamil Nadu, Andhra .Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh, a comprehensive transmission plan comprising intra state and inter-State transmission system strengthening has been evolved as a part of "Green Energy Corridors".
(d): The recent tender of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) for Solar Power Project of 500 MW in Andhra Pradesh has got a bid of Rs. 4.63 per unit. The levelised CERC tariff for Solar PV projects for the year 2015-16 is Rs. 6.86 per Unit. The Plant Load Factor of solar photovoltaic plants achieved under projects installed under phase-I, Batch − II of National Solar Mission is upto 21%.
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